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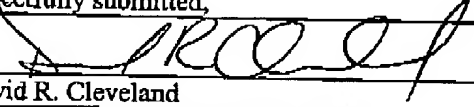
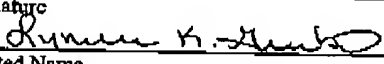
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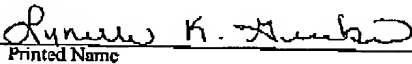
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Dear Sir:

In accordance with the provisions of 37 CFR §1.98, copies of the references cited on the enclosed Form PTO 1449 can be found in the file for parent U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/756,120 filed 01/12/2004, entitled FLOOR FINISH WITH LIGHTENING AGENT. If desired by the Examiner, fresh copies can be provided by applicants.

With regard to the above-identified application, the items of information listed on the enclosed Form PTO 1449 are brought to the attention of the Examiner.

Applicants also wish to bring to the Examiner's attention the following pending U.S. Applications:

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Minyu Li, Robert D.P. Hei, Lauren K. Carlson, James P. Gardner, Jr. and Paul J. Mattia	10/843,014	May 11, 2004

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Minyu Li, Robert D.P. Hei, Lauren K. Carlson, James P. Gardner, Jr., Paul J. Mattia, Theodore Tysak, Shiona Stewart, Elmer Williams Jr., and Nilesh Shah	10/857,593	May 28, 2004
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Minyu Li, Robert D.P. Hei, Mark D. Levitt and Lauren K. Carlson	10/756,119	January 12, 2004
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It is believed that no fee is due for consideration of the items listed on the enclosed Form PTP 1449 as this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed more than three months after the above-identified filing date but Applicants have not yet received an Office Action on the merits. If such an Office Action has been mailed prior to the Certificate of Mailing date, please charge to Deposit Account No. 50-0549 the \$180.00 fee set forth in § 1.17(p).

No representation is made that a reference is "prior art" within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §§ 102 and 103 and Applicants reserve the right, pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.131 or otherwise, to

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Consideration of the items listed is respectfully requested. Pursuant to M.P.E.P. 609, Applicants request that the Examiner return a copy of the attached Form PTP 1449, marked as being considered and initialed by the Examiner, to the undersigned with the next official communication.

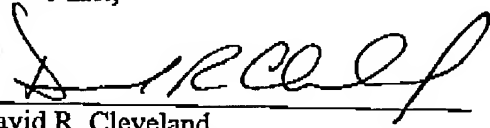
The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' Representative at the below-listed telephone number, if any assistance is needed during prosecution of the present application.

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